Financial assistance under NSS

548. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the Central assistance given to the State of Karnataka during the last three years ending 31st March, 2007, under the National Service Scheme (NSS), year-wise;

(b) whether the State Government gave its full share of financial assistance so as to utilize the Central assistance to the maximum extent; and

(c) the number of students in the State who participated in the scheme year-wise and the number out of them who were selected for participation in all India Camps and other activities including the Republic Day Parade during the period?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) The Central assistance given to the State of Karnataka during the last three year ending 31st March, 2007 under the National Service Scheme (NSS) is as under:

2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Nil. The Government of Karnataka had an unspent balance of Rs. 184.76 lakh and hence no funds were released in 2004-05.	Rs.258.64 lakh	Rs.393.89 lakh

(b) Yes Sir.

(c) The information is as follows:

Year	No. of NSS volunteers enrolled	No. of volunteers participated in the all India Camps	No.of volunteers participated in the Republic Day Parade
2004-05	168224	216	10
2005-06	198429	93	11
2006-07	224973	22	12

NHs in Uttarakhand

†549. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the highways connecting Uttarakhand which are being converted into four-lanes, six-lanes and eight-lanes; and

(b) the names of the new approved National Highways in the State alongwith the details of total kilometers of road under construction?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.